

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE THAT INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED \*\*\*  
INFORMATION IS REQUESTED TO COMPLY WITH STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR  
COMMISSION MEMBERS.

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1. Indicate your present occupation.

I am an assistant professor of law at the University of Memphis, where I teach Torts I and II as well as Health law.

2. If you are an attorney, state the year you were licensed to practice law in Tennessee and provide your BPR Number.

I am an attorney, however, I am not licensed to practice in Tennessee. I began my legal career as an associate at Baker Botts LLP in Houston, Texas, and I am licensed to practice in the State of Texas. I have been licensed since 2003. My bar number is 24040410. My job at the University of Memphis does not require that I have a license to practice law in the state of Tennessee.

3. Please indicate the amount of time that you have been a citizen of the State of Tennessee.

Although I was born and raised in New Orleans, Louisiana, I moved to Memphis in 2005. Thus, I have been a citizen of the State of Tennessee for six years.

4. List the county or counties you have resided in over the past year.

During the past year, I resided in Shelby county.

5. Are you a salaried office holder of the State of Tennessee or the United States?

☐ Yes ☒ No

6. If your response to question 5 was yes, are you a member of the National Guard, member of any armed forces reserve organization, district attorney general or employee of a district attorney general, district public defender, or employee of a district public defender?

☐ Yes ☒ No

7. Have you ever pled guilty or been convicted, or are you now on diversion for violation of any law, regulation or ordinance (other than traffic related offenses such as speeding, seatbelt violations, or parking tickets)? Give date, court, charge and disposition.

I have never plead guilty or been convicted for violation of any law. Further, I am not on diversion for violation of any law.

8. To your knowledge, are you now under federal, state or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute or disciplinary rule? If so, give details.

No, I am not (to my knowledge) currently under any type of investigation.

9. Please state reasons why you would like to serve on the Judicial Nominating Commission. (300 words or less)

I have a deep affinity for viewing the legal profession as a noble endeavor and a calling. I try to inspire my students to love the law and to have deep appreciation for the necessity of service in our justice system. Lawyers are servants, and I see this commission as an opportunity to serve.

10. The Lieutenant Governor (Speaker of the Senate) and the Speaker of the House both have appointments to the Judicial Nominating Commission. Please indicate to which office you would like your application to be sent for consideration.

- ☐ Lieutenant Governor
- ☐ Speaker of the House
- ☒ Both Lieutenant Governor and Speaker of the House

11. By checking each of the boxes below, I certify that this information is correct:

- ☒ I am not employed as a registered lobbyist.
- ☒ I am not an employer of a registered lobbyist.
- ☒ I do not hold office in any political party or political organization.

Dated this the 14 day of May, 2011.

  
Signature of Applicant

Upon Completion, please forward this application to:

Administrative Office of the Courts  
Judicial Nominating Commission  
511 Union Street, Suite 600  
Nashville, TN 37219